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E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: ETRD, AS

SUBJECT: TEXTILES: AUSTRALIA AND MFA

REF: CANBERRA 8386

GENEVA FOR PHELAN

1. APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S RAPID RESPONSE TO INQUIRY ABOUT RUMOR THAT AUSTRALIA HAD WITHDRAWN FROM MFA. YOUR PERCEPTION THAT THIS ISSUE IS VERY SENSITIVE ONE FOR USG IS ABSOLUTELY CORRECT.

2. SUCH A WITHDRAWAL IS VERY DEFINITELY NOT IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE US: WE HAVE INFORMATION AUSTRALIA'S WITHDRAWAL WOULD LEND STRENGTH TO RESTRICTIST FORCES IN  
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SEVERAL OTHER TEXTILE IMPORTING COUNTRIES, AND POSSIBLY

WITHDRAWAL OF SOME OF THESE FROM MFA. CLEARLY SUCH ACTION BY AUSTRALIA WOULD BE VERY HARMFUL TO OUR EFFORTS TO PROMOTE ORDERLY AND EVENLY DISTRIBUTED GROWTH IN THE TEXTILE TRADE BETWEEN PRODUCING AND CONSUMING COUNTRIES.

3. REQUEST EMBASSY KEEP A CLOSE REPORTING WATCH ON ANY SIGN WHICH INDICATE POSSIBLE GOA INTENTION TO WITHDRAW, DISCOURAGING SUCH INTENTIONS AS EMBASSY JUDGES FIT AND URGING GOA TO ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE PROBLEM OF LOW-LABOR-COST IMPORTS WITHIN MFA FRAMEWORK. IF YOU BELIEVE FORMAL REPRESENTATIONS ARE NECESSARY, PLEASE LET US KNOW. KISSINGER

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